Saturday Morning 9th October 1714

L. H. J. No. 41

Then the House met again according to Adjournment.

Ordered That M^r William Watts, a Member for Saint Mary's County shew Cause next Sessions of Assembly why he did not attend the Service of this House this psent Sessions.

The following Message being prepared was read and ordered to be entered as follows Viz.

By the House of Delegates 9th October 1714

This House having taken into Consideration the deplorable Condition of the Inhabitants of this Province, who made little Tobacco this Year, that being their only Staple and Fund to raise Money for discharging as well of the publick Levy as their private Debts, and being willing to relieve them in their present Exigence, and prevent the Imprisonment of her Majesty's good Subjects of this her Province, do propose the inserting a Clause in the Bill for proportioning the publick Levy this Year, that no Execution shall, from the End till the tenth Day of November one thousand seven hundred and fifteen issue against the Body of any the Inhabitants of this Province

Signed p Order Tho. Macnemara Cl. Ho. Del.

Sent up by Col^o Ward, M^r Stoddart, M^r Lloyd, M^r Amos Garrett, Capt. Codd and M^r Samuel Worthington.

They return and say they delivered their Message.

Col^o William Holland and Col^o Samuel Young from the Honble Council enter the House and deliver M^r Speaker the following Message Viz.

By his Excy the Gov^r and Council in Assembly 9th October 1714

On Consideration of your Message by Lieut. Col^o Ward and five others of your House it has been debated at this Board whether we should concur with your Proposal therein that a Clause should be inserted in the Bill for levying the publick Charge that no Execution shall from the End of this Sessions to the tenth Day of January one thousand seven hundred and fifteen issue agt the Body of any the Inhabitants of this Province. And it is Resolved (nemine contradicente) that the same is against the Current of the Law and would introduce great Confusion and Mischief. So that tho' his Excy the Gov^r and every Member of this Board are heartily